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In re Application of: Bauman et al.	§ § §	
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For: Method for Determining on Demand Right Size Buffering Within a Socket Server Implementation	§ § § §	

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO CLAIM PRIORITY UNDER 35 USC § 120

Applicants hereby claim priority to co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/990,850, filed November 21, 2001, entitled "Efficient Method for Determining Record Based I/O on Top of Streaming Protocols."

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

-- This is a divisional of copending application Serial No. 09/990,850, filed November 21, 2001, entitled Efficient Method for Determining Record Based I/O on Top of Streaming Protocols. --

Respectfully submitted,

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